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Mr. Charles Howorth Regulatory Vice President BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. 333 Commerce Street Nashville, TN 37201-3300

Dear Mr. Howorth:

To assist the Authority in its review of Docket 01-00339, Generic Docket to Consider Geographic Deaveraging, it is requested that you respond to the questions posed below. The Authority is reviewing the unbundled network element rates proposed in the August 30, 2002 SGAT update filed in Docket 97-00309, BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. 's Entry Into Long Distance (InterLATA) Service in Tennessee Pursuant to Section 271 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. The questions below seek information concerning the data used to implement the deaveraging methodology approved in Docket 01-00339.

- 1. Based upon the July 12, 2002 *Joint Stipulation Regarding Deaveraging* ("*Joint Stipulation*") filed in Docket 01-00339, provide a list of loop costs for each BellSouth wire center in Tennessee as determined by the FCC Synthesis model.
- 2. Based upon the methodology described in the *Joint Stipulation*, provide a list of wire centers by zone.
- 3. List the zone(s) that each wire center included as a result of the adoption of the November 22, 2000 Second Interim Order Re: Revised Cost Studies and Geographic Deaveraging in Docket 97-01262.
- 4. Provide all necessary data to support the calculation of zone costs as described in the *Joint Stipulation*.
- 5. Provide all necessary data to support the calculation of zone specific ratios as described in the *Joint Stipulation*.

6. Please provide all other supporting calculations utilized in developing the rates filed on August 30, 2002 in Docket 97-00309.

Please furnish your response to this data request by Friday, December 13, 2002. If you have any questions in reference to this request, contact Jerry Kettles at (615) 741-2791, extension 153. Additionally, and when applicable, provide your responses in an electronic format compatible with Microsoft Excel.

> Sincerely, Ja Werner

Chief, Telecommunications Division Tennessee Regulatory Authority